Palm Handheld Devices
A Resource List

The Next Small Thing: Handheld Computing for Educational Leaders

Getting a Handle on Handhelds Here are some things to consider before you decide to bring handhelds into your classrooms.

Top 10 Technology Breakthroughs for Schools Number 6 on the list of top technology breakthroughs, handheld technologies have the potential to positively impact teaching and learning.

District Administration: Independence In The Palms Of Their Hands Learn how teachers are using Palm technology to enhance classroom instruction.

District Administration: Pushing Barriers Discover how administrators are using handheld technology to improve their productivity and manage tasks.

District Administration: Applications Just For The Classroom A discussion of educational applications for the Palm that are currently available for schools.

District Administration: Peripherals for Palm OS A list of peripherals that can be added to the Palm to increase its functionality and your productivity.

Wired New: Forget PTA; This School Goes PDA This article appeared in Wired News and discusses how the use of PDAs has been implemented at Forsyth Country Day School.

Pownell-Bailey Leadership Model of Handheld ComputingThis PowerPoint slide is a visual representation of the Pownell-Bailey Leadership Model of Handheld Computing.

Handheld Computing for Educational Leaders: A Tool for Organizing or Empowerment?
This is an article from Learning and Leading with Technology discussing the way handheld technologies are changing the way information is shared and used. In the article the six leadership functions of the Pownell-Bailey model for handheld computing is explained.

Probe Sight: Curriculum Ideas This site provides insights into the effective use of handheld technology in instructional activities.

Learning in the Palm of Your Hand Use this site to locate free educational software for the Palm as well as to learn how Palm technology is creating an engaging learning environment for students.

[Palm in Education Success Stories](#) Includes stories about schools where Palms are used to enhance instruction and student learning.

[Staying on Top of Middle School with my H\PC](#) A middle school student discusses how he uses his handheld device to track assignments, take notes, etc.

[Palm Tip Sheet](#) Provides tips on using the Palm as an educational tool.

[ProbeSight](#)A good site for curriculum suggestions and lesson plans that integrate the use of the Palm into classroom instruction.

[District 230 Students Make Use of Handheld Computers](#) Find out how this school division is implementing the use of Palms in its classrooms.

[Avantgo](#) allows you to select Web pages to be downloaded to your Palm. You can choose from pre-selected sites or make your own choices.

Get daily news and weekly deliveries of classroom lessons from Scholastic.com by selecting them as a channel in your Avantgo account.

[Shari's Palm Page at Rainbow Tech](#) contains a list of Palm resource links and well as information on Palm workshops and training opportunities.

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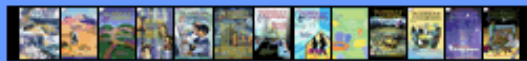
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Top 10 Technology Breakthroughs for Schools

By Susan McLester

More useful than a feature on how technologies of the future might fit into education, we felt, would be a look at today's technologies and the somewhat futuristic part they are already playing in schools. Many of those we focus on here, such as ASPs and wireless networking, have been in schools for quite a while already and might be considered veterans in the "dog years" of today's rapid technological progress. The futuristic piece comes into play in the sense that they are just now, at this particular intersection of advancing technology and education, beginning to find a fairly comfortable home in schools. Others we look at here remain more untried in our market-optical networking and XML, for instance-but are already being viewed as key to improving existing systems through streamlining, increased compatibility, or other upgrades. Our 10th and final focus, the fascinating MUVE-based learning simulations, departs a bit from the previous nine as it remains largely a work in progress, a promise-albeit a promise well grounded in reality. But for all the technologies we present here, both new and familiar, the single common "breakthrough" thread is, as Jason Ohler points out in his lead piece on virtual learning, their ability to impel us to think in new and innovative ways about the concept of "school."

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